

Appl. No. 10/765,707
Amdt. dated October 23, 2005
Preliminary Amendment

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

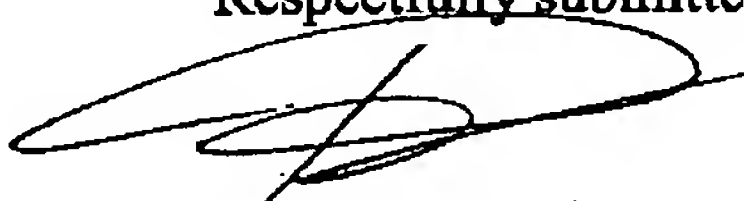
In this Preliminary Amendment, claims 25-26 are amended to recite a "milling" process. This is described at paragraph [0040] of the specification. No new matter is added.

Also, with reference to a letter from the PTO dated June 23, 2005, Applicants request that an Office Action on the merits be issued.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants request that a favorable Action on the merits be issued. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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